STATE ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

FREETOWN

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ELIZABETH A. WARREN+++++++ Democratic 24 Linnaean St., Cambridge Candidate for Re-election	JOSEPH P. KENNEDY, III + + + + + + + Democratic 106 Waban Hill Rd., Newton Candidate for Re-election
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